

The Board of Education of School District No.5 (Southeast Kootenay) MINUTES - REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

June 9, 2015, 3:30 p.m. Board Office

Present: Chairperson Lento

Trustee Ayling
Trustee Bellina
Trustee Blumhagen
Trustee Brown
Trustee Johns
Trustee McPhee
Trustee Whalen

Superintendent of Schools, L. Hauptman

Secretary Treasurer, R. Norum

Director of Instruction/Human Resources, B. Reimer Director of Student Learning and Innovation, D. Casault

Director of Student Learning and Aboriginal Education, J. Tichauer

District Principal/Student Services, D. Verbeurgt

Recorder, Corinne Burns

Regrets Trustee Helgesen

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

1.1. Call to Order

Chairperson Lento called the June 9, 2015 regular public meeting of the Board of Education to order at 3:36 p.m.

Trustee Johns reported that Joseph Qualtieri has passed away. Mr. Qualtieri was employed with School District No. 2 as Vice Principal at Central Elementary as well as other positions at district schools. He retired in 1994. The Board passed on their condolences.

1.2. Consideration and Approval of Agenda

Additions: 5.3 Letter to BCSTA

MOTION R-15-96

M/S that the agenda for the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of June 9, 2015 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the Public meeting of the Board of Education of May 12, 2015.

MOTION R-15-97

M/S that the minutes of the regular public meeting of the Board of Education of May 12, 2015 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.4. Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

MOTION R-15-98

M/S to accept the closed records of the in-camera meeting of the Board of Education of May 12, 2015.

CARRIED

1.5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

1.6. Receiving of Delegations/Presentations

1.6.1. Changing Results for Young Readers - Carol Johns & Deb Kennedy

Ms. Casault introduced Carol Johns and Deb Kennedy who have been leading the Changing Results for Young Readers. Also present were some of the staff members that have been involved with implementing this program into their classrooms. Highlights included:

- Choosing a focus student leads to all students improving.
- This program has also been successful in the later years.
- Builds confidence.
- Social and emotional learning.
- Inclusion
- Quality reading instruction.

Chairperson Lento thanked everyone for their hard work and dedication to the program.

1.6.2. When technology is an option - Sylvie DeGrandpre

Ms. Casault introduced Sylvie DeGrandpre who is integrating technology into her classrooms. Highlights include:

- There is a balance between too little technology and too much technology in the classroom.
- Students need to be interested in something to use technology correctly. It is better if it is student generated.
- Boogey Boards cut down paper.
- Phones can be used for note taking.
- Face time can be used for students unable to attend class.

Chairperson Lento thanked Sylvie DeGrandpre for leading the way with technology in our classrooms.

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS/TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

2.1. Advocacy/Education Committee

Co-chair Trustee Blumhagen reviewed the minutes of the May 25, 2015 meeting of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

MOTION R-15-99

M/S that the Board continue to work on the SD 5 Strategic Plan at a planning session in the summer.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-100

M/S that the Board write a joint letter with our partner groups to the Ministers of Finance and Education, with a copy to the usual stakeholders, outlining our dissatisfaction with the constant budget reductions.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-101

M/S that the Board write a follow-up letter to Ministers De Jong and Fassbender, with a copy to the usual stakeholders, regarding the compensation freeze in management and exempt staff.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-102

M/S that the Board write a letter to Premier Christy Clark and Minister Fassbender, with a copy to the usual stakeholders, outlining the Board's dissatisfaction with the passing of Bill 11.

CARRIED

Discussion Included:

- Create a cover letter to send with letters encouraging a response.
- Would be good to have time frames in hopes to have responses before board meetings.

MOTION R-15-103

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Advocacy/Education Committee.

CARRIED

2.2. Policy Committee

Co-chair Trustee Brown reviewed the minutes of the May 25, 2015 meeting of the Policy Committee.

MOTION R-15-104

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Policy Committee.

CARRIED

2.3. Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee

Co-chair Trustee Bellina reviewed the minutes of the May 25, 2015 meeting of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

MOTION R- 15-105

M/S that the Board of Education write letters of support for the City of Cranbrook's bid to host either the 2017, 2018, or 2019 55+ BC Games.

CARRIED

MOTION R-15-106

M/S that the Board accept the report of the Finance/Operations/Personnel Committee.

CARRIED

2.4. Communications/Media Committee

Trustee Ayling reported that she has all the media releases ready to go pending the letters being sent. She will be sending a media release for the position of FJMES Vice-Principal. It was noted that we will do a media release for the awarded temporary position first and then a second media release when the incumbent returns from leave.

MOTION R-15-107

M/S to accept the report of the Communications/Media Committee.

CARRIED

2.5. Mt. Baker Secondary School Building Replacement Committee

Trustee Johns reported the meeting with stakeholders is scheduled for Friday June 26, 2015, He is hoping the MLA will be able to attend. There is a meeting in regards to the Western Financial Place charges for graduation scheduled for Tuesday, June 16th at 7 p.m. at the Board Office.

MOTION R-15-108

M/S to accept the report of the Mt. Baker Secondary School Building Replacement Committee.

CARRIED

2.6. Legacy of Learning

Trustee Johns has requested names of all the School District employees that have graduated from School District 1, 2 and 5. He is hoping to do a panel in the Board office.

MOTION R-15-109

M/S to accept the Legacy of Learning report.

CARRIED

2.7. Trustee Reports

Trustees reported on their activities for the month.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

Superintendent Hauptman's report of June 9, 2015 included:

Superintendent's Activities:

- District Scholarships
- Sparwood commencements.
- The Drowsy Chaperone was outstanding.

Superintendent Hauptman reported the PA.R.T.Y. Program put together a 2 day conference for grade 8 and 10. It is the first one in the province and was a huge success.

Finance/Operations Updates

Mr. Norum reported he has been busy with Budget. He is also working on:

- Joint Use/Sparwood
- Preparing for Annual Audit

Kootenay Boundary Branch

Update from Director of Instruction/Student Learning

Ms. Casault reported she has been meeting with groups regarding the new curriculum changes. She is also working on:

- Summer Book Give-away
- Early Childhood Education
- PVP mentoring/training

Update from Director of Instruction/Safety/Aboriginal Education

Mr. Tichauer reported this past week he was able to secure grants from the East Kootenay Addictions. He also reported the Ministry has now put together a meeting for further review of the scholarships process. This is in reference to the feedback he previously sent into the Ministry. He is also working on:

- Enhancement Agreement
- ERASE training

Update from District Principal/Student Services

Mr. Verbeurgt reported the Education Fund portion of the Learning Improvement Fund has begun. He is also working on:

Reviewing Student files

Update from Director of Instruction/Human Resources

Mr. Reimer reported the staffing process is in full swing, postings went out last week. CUPE layoffs and bumping are in process. He is also working on:

Interviews for TTOC's and Casual Educational Assistants.

Important Dates for Trustees
Retirement Dinner – June 11 – St. Eugene
Graduations:
MBSS – June 25th – 5 p.m.
FSS – June 26th – 2 p.m.
ESS – June 25th – 1 p.m.

Enrolment Report

Discussion included:

The number of District Scholarships are determined by the FTE.

MOTION R-15-110

M/S that the June 9, 2015 Superintendent's Report to the Board of Education be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Nil

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

5.1. Business Arising from Delegations

Nil

5.2. Budget Bylaw

MOTION R-15-111

M/S that the Board of Education read a third time, passed and adopted, the Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$61,443,814 on the 9th day of June 2015.

CARRIED

5.3 BCSTA letter

MOTION R-15-112

M/S that the board send a letter to the BCSTA requesting they circulate a petition to member boards demanding the resignation of Minister Fassbender and the rescinding of the memorandum of understanding between the government and the BCSTA.

Discussion included:

- This would not be stakeholders just sent to boards.
- Send a letter to the Premier asking for a cabinet shuffle?

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6. TRUSTEE BOUQUETS

Trustees thanked Amy Woodland for the tour of their school and the great presentations. A big thank you to Gail Rousseau for all her hard work with the retirement dinner.

7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

8. QUESTION PERIOD

CFTA thanked the Board for another successful year. DPAC thanked trustees for their support.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION R-15-113

M/S that the June 9, 2015 regular public meeting of the Board of Education adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

CARRIED

10. LATE ITEMS

Frank Lento, Chairperson	Rob Norum, Secretary Treasure